Besides, 9943/9944 Ahmedabad-Delhi Saria Rohilla Express (Metre Gauge) *via* Udaipur is also available between Ahmedabad and Delhi.

No fit to run Metre Gauge coaches are lying confined to Mahesana Railway yard.

Rail Line for Rohodu *via* Dehradun

3462. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to sanction funds for laying rail line for Rohodu, District Shimla, Himachal Pradesh, *via* Dehradun, during the Tenth-Five Year Plan;

(b) whether Government had conducted any survey upto Akrakot in Dehradun, for laying the rail line for Rohodu, during the period 1960—1970; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Difficulties of train passengers due to R.P.F./G.R.P.

†3463. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that train passengers face difficulties during journey due to the irregularities being committed by the R.P.F. (C.R.S.F.) personnel, posted at railway stations and the G.R.P. (S.P.S.F.) personnel posted in trains, for security purposes; and the number of incidents of thefts are also on the rise;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of action being taken by Government to make journey of rail passengers comfortable and secure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) Sir, train passengers usually do not face difficulties during journey due to irregularities committed by GRP and RPF personnel. However, some cases of difficulties are reportedly occasionally. 7 such cases, against GRP and 2 against RPF personnel have been reported during the year 2001-2002.

Sir, information available with this Ministry indicates that the number of incidents of thefts has increased as compared to the previous year. 7514 cases

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of theft of passengers' belongings were registered during the year 2001 as compared to 6941 cases registered in 2000.

(c) Though the responsibility to curb crime on Railways lies with the State Governments, the Railways have taken the following steps to supplement the efforts of the State Governments:—

1. Anti-social elements are being removed from Railways premises and trains by RPF.
2. Proper watch is being kept by Coach Attendents/TTEs on the passengers entering'/detraining from the coaches and the coaches are properly locked during their run especially in night hours.
3. FIR forms are made available with the Train Guards/Station Masters/ RPF to facilitate the travelling public to lodge their reports immediately.
4. Sharing of Special Intelligence and Crime Intelligence between RPF and GRP is being done at all levels.
5. Announcement through Public Address System and CCTV at important Railway Stations to alert the travelling passengers against theft of their belongings etc.
6. Police and Local Police are being conducted to analyse the crime position on Railways with a view to take suitable preventive measures.
7. Special Intelligence and Crime Intelligence are shared between RPF and the GRP at all levels.

Non-introduction of new trains for Allahabad

†3464. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railways are ignoring the increasing number of passengers in Allahabad, the historical, mythological and political city;

(b) whether Allahabad has been deprived of Shatabdi Express and new trains introduced recently to link all the big cities with capitals, and no train has been introduced from Allahabad;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that the Bareilly Shatabdi is being operated without adequate passengers?

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